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SUBJ: ACCEPTANCE OF JAPANESE MEDALS COMMEMORATING APOLLO-SOYUZ MISSION

FOR OFFICE OF CHIEF OF PROTOCOL

1. MATSUMOTO MEDAL COMPANY, TOKYO, HAS DELIVERED 10 LARGE (10 CM DIAMETER) MEDALS MADE OF PURE SILVER TO EMBASSY, EACH INDIVIDUALLY GIFT WRAPPED AND EACH ACCOMPANIED BY PRESENTATION LETTER WITHOUT SPECIFIC NAME OF ADDRESSEE. MEDALS COMMEMORATE APOLLO-SOYUZ SPACE MISSION, AND ARE NOT FOR SALE IN SPECIAL LARGE SIZE.

2. IN SEPARATE LETTER TO SCICOUNS, PRESIDENT OF MEDAL COMPANY STATES THAT HE WISHES MEDALS PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT OF U.S., THREE U.S. ASTRONAUTS, AND OTHER OFFICIALS CONCERNED. VALUE OF EACH MEDAL IS STATED TO BE ABOUT \$70.

3. SAME NUMBER OF MEDALS WAS DELIVERED TO SOVIET EMBASSY ON AUGUST 1 AND ACCEPTED BY SOVIET OFFICIAL IN PUBLIC CEREMONY. COPIES OF EXCHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN MATSUMOTO AND SOVIET EMBASSY ALSO FURNISHED US. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT SOVIETS INTEND TO DISTRIBUTE MEDALS AS FOLLOWS:

2-COSMONAUTS

1-SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO TOKYO

1-STATE SECRETARY BREZHNEV

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1-USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

2-MUSEUMS

3-SOVIET EMBASSY STAFF

4. 2 FAM 371.4 A. STATES THAT EMBASSY OFFICIALS USUALLY SHOULD NOT ACCEPT GIFTS FROM CITIZENS OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES ON BEHALF OF USG, BUT MAY REFER UNUSUAL CASES TO WASHINGTON. SINCE SOVIETS ALREADY HAVE MADE PUBLIC DISPLAY OF ACCEPTING MEDALS AND EMBASSY COULD NOT, FOR DIPLOMATIC REASONS, REJECT DELIVERY OF MEDALS OUT OF HAND, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT MEDALS BE OFFICIALLY ACCEPTED BY APPROPRIATE LETTER FROM DEPARTMENT OR EMBASSY AND THAT DISTRIBUTION BE SPECIFIED IN LETTER. POSSIBLE DISTRIBUTION SCHEME COULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

1-PRESIDENT OF U.S.

3-ASTRONAUTS

1-NASA ADMINISTRATOR FLETCHER

1-JOHNSON MANNED SPACE FLIGHT CENTER, HOUSTON

1-SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION SPACE MUSEUM

3-AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY STAFF FOR DISPLAY PURPOSES

5. REQUEST ADVICE ON HOW TO PROCEED.

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